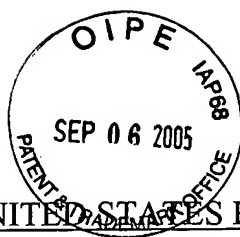


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Sir:

Applicant, by the undersigned attorney hereby responds to the outstanding Official Action dated 23 August 2005 which is a Restriction Requirement. Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

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